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SUBJECT: IV PABLO E. LARREA

REF: QUITO 8140

1. POST NOMINATES PABLO E. LARREA, GENERAL SUBDIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH (INIAP) FOR IV GRANT FOR JANUARY, 1976. HIS NOMINATION SUBSTITUTES FOR THOSE REFTEL UNABLE TO ACCEPT IV GRANT.

2. JUSTIFICATION: MR. LARREA OCCUPIES A KEY POSITION IN ECUADOR'S AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND IS LIKELY TO OCCUPY EVEN MORE IMPORTANT POSITIONS IN THE FUTURE. AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH IS A PRIORITY AREA FOR ECUADOR'S DEVELOPMENT. WITHIN AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, INIAP IS THE MOST IMPORTANT AND MOST EFFECTIVE INSTITUTION. AS A GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTION WITH FOUR BRANCHES, INIAP IS THE ONLY ORGANIZATION WITH FACILITIES FOR CONDUCTING AND EXTENDING AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH IN ECUADOR. BOTH THE DIRECTOR AND MR. LARREA SEE U.S.-STYLE R&D EFFORTS AS THE MODEL FOR ECUADOR. AN IV TRIP WOULD ENABLE LARREA TO OBSERVE ADVANCES IN AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT AND POSSIBLY INCORPORATE THEM INTO INIAP'S PROGRAM. THE TRIP WOULD ALSO GIVE LARREA THE OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT JOINT PROGRAMS THAT INIAP HAS WITH FOUR U.S. INSTITUTIONS: UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, MISSISSIPPI STATE, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, AND KANSAS STATE. WHILE LARREA HAS A MS FROM THE U.S. (DEGREE RECEIVED IN 1966), POST BELIEVES THAT ADVANCES IN AMERICAN

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AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY HAVE BEEN AT LEAST AS SIGNIFICANT AS IN ANY OTHER FIELD IN THE PAST TEN YEARS AND THE TRIP IS JUSTIFIED TO UP-

DATE LARREA'S KNOWLEDGE OF THE U.S. FINALLY, POST FEELS U.S. AGRICULTURAL TRADE OPPORTUNITIES WOULD INDIRECTLY BENEFIT BY AN IV TO LARREA.

3. BIO DATE: BORN QUITO, APRIL 1, 1931. ECUADOREAN CITIZEN. ADDRESS: INIAP, CASILLA 2600, QUITO. EDUCATED AT MONTUFAR SCHOOL FROM 1944 TO 1954. RECEIVED AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING DEGREE FROM CENTRAL UNIVERSITY, QUITO, 1968. COMPLETED A MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE AT NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, 1966. PAST POSITIONS INCLUDE: CHIEF GENETICIST, IZOBAMBA EXPERIMENTAL STATION; CHIEF OF ENGINEERING, LIVESTOCK CEREALS, SANTA CATALINA EXPERIMENTAL STATION; DIRECTOR, SANTA CATALINA STATION, AND REGIONAL SUBDIRECTOR OF INIAP. ORGANIZATIONS: MEMBER OF THE NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, THE COLLEGE OF AGRONOMIC ENGINEERS OF PICHINCHA, AND OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HIGHER STUDIES. HAS TRAVELLED TO MEXICO (1960 AND 1970), BRAZIL (1974), VENEZUELA (1974) AND COLOMBIA (1972 AND 1973). IN 1970 SPENT TEN DAYS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA IN CONNECTION WITH A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT.

4. ENGLISH: GOOD. NO INTERPRETER NEEDED.

5. PROPOSED PROGRAM: POST RECOMMENDS VISITS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER OF PRIORITY, WITH THE INDICATED TOPICS TO BE EXPLORED:

A) BELTSVILLE AND USDA.

B) UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA FOR WORK IN ANIMAL NUTRITION. CONTACT: DR. MCDOWALL AND DR. MOORE.

C) UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS FOR INSTOY SOY. CONTACT: DR. HENDERSON AND DR. MCCOWEN.

D) KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THE FOOD AND FEED GRAIN INSTITUTE, CONTACT: DR. HOOVER.

E) MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY FOR SEED TECHNOLOGY. CONTACT: DR. J. DELOUCHE.

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F) NORTH DAKOTA STATE FOR SMALL GRAINS RESEARCH.

G) NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY FOR SOILS, SOUTHERN CROPS AND LEGUME RESEARCH.

H) CORNELL UNIVERSITY TO OBSERVE WORK IN VEGETABLE CROPS.

I) MICHIGAN STATE TO OBSERVE DAIRY RESEARCH AND OPERATION.

J) GEORGIA EXPERIMENTAL STATION AT TIFTON TO OBSERVE WORK ON PEANUTS.

6. VISA ELIGIBILITY IN PROCESS.

7. LARREA WILL BE FREE TO TRAVEL IN JANUARY. PLEASE ADVISE  
MOST CONVENIENT DATES. DECLASSIFY UPON RECEIPT.  
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